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# CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 1:1.  
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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## WOMEN PREACH- ING---CONTINUED

Other Scriptures Used by the Writer  
in the "Florida Baptist Witness."

HE IS SURE WOMEN SHOULD NOT PREACH

Those who have been carefully following these discussions are probably wondering what next Mr. Parker will produce as evidence against women preaching. It will be remembered that he said that it was unscriptural. We considered two of his passages last week and found them altogether in favor of women preaching instead of a proof to the contrary. But no doubt he is congratulating himself in the thought that he has two other Scriptures that are positive proof in his favor. These we shall consider.

The first one is given by Paul at 1 Cor. 14:34, 35. "Let your women keep silence in the churches; for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. And if they will learn anything let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church." This is a positive statement by Paul and is one of the passages upon which our opponent bases his conclusion. After all, it is not so much wonder that he is so opposed to women preaching.

The next passage is like unto this one and given by Paul likewise: "Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence." 1 Tim. 2:11, 12. Now in the minds of many, and especially the mind of the writer in the Florida Baptist Witness this settles the whole problem. They say there is no need of further argument about the matter and he felt safe in saying that it was unscriptural for women to preach.

These passages, like many others, are dropped in in a way that will mystify under certain conditions and shed forth a brilliant light under certain other conditions. A writer has said, "The absence of greater clearness in the prophets is due to God's pur-

pose to give light enough to guide the willing, to leave darkness enough to confound the willfully blind." The same is true of the Bible as a whole. In fact every passage of Scripture is dependent more or less on other passages for a correct interpretation. The man whose opinion is formed by the reading of one or two passages on a certain subject is in a sorrowful plight unless he holds himself open to the acceptance of added light and information. And hasty conclusions on any line are liable to lead into gross error or plunge their possessor into shameful embarrassment.

Please bear in mind that the battle on the part of our opponent is against women preaching. It might seem too startling for me to abruptly state that the two passages referred to by him as proof against women preaching have no reference whatever to preaching the gospel. So instead of making this direct statement I wish to refer to some other passages that will throw some light on the subject. Please remember that God's Holy Scriptures do not contradict themselves. When they seem to contradict it is because the reader has not found the correct interpretation.

When the Holy Ghost was given it is admitted that He fell upon men and women alike, because men and women were together waiting for the promise of the Father (Acts 1:14), and special mention is made of Mary the mother of Jesus. Then when the great outpouring of the Holy Ghost was noised abroad and the multitudes were come together Peter explained that what they saw and heard was according to the prophecy heretofore given and nothing to be so surprised at after all. Hear him as he repeated the prophecy of Joel: "And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh; and your

sons and daughters shall prophesy, \* \* \* and on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy." (Acts 2:17).

You will please notice that "your sons and your daughters shall prophesy." And also when he used the terms "servants and on my handmaidens," he said "they shall prophesy." We stated in the preceding article that the word "prophesy" did not only mean to foretell future events, but also to preach. We gave, as our authority for the statement the standard dictionary which is authority for the definition of English words. Then we are bound to admit that when the Holy Ghost is poured out upon the people He endues with power both men and women, and both men and women shall preach. From the very fact that the prophet said the women would preach after the Holy Ghost was poured out upon them, and that the Holy Ghost was really poured out upon both men and women, is proof enough that they did preach. This certainly answers the gentleman's question, "Were there any women among these first preachers? Can you find one in the Bible who ever preached? If so, where?"

I will also ask the gentleman if the Twelve Apostles were commissioned to preach. His last reference gives his answer. Mat. 10:2. He intends to show that the "twelve" were men only and no women among them. He acknowledges by this that these "twelve" were commissioned to preach. All right brother, we acknowledge they preached, but please give us one instance where a sermon by Bartholomew or Thomas is recorded in the Bible, or where it shows that Thaddaeus, or Simon the Canaanite stood before the people and delivered a sermon.

Under the above teachings we can just as well doubt that these men ever preached as to doubt that women preached. The "Eleven" were commissioned to preach. This is plainly shown at Mark 16:14, 15. But where is the record showing that every one of them did really preach? Because it is silent

does not prove that they did not preach. Yea, we all believe they all really preached the gospel.

Now then, the prophecy shows that when the Spirit was poured out on the boys and girls, men and women, they would all prophesy or preach. The record shows that the Spirit was really poured out on the men and women. Then to doubt that the women prophesied (preached) would be doubting the truth of the Bible. The prophet said the women would prophesy (preach) when the Holy Ghost was poured out, and no one can truthfully say He was not poured out. So if you say the women did not prophesy (preach) you give Joel the lie, for he said they would. So every sober minded thoughtful lover of truth will say at once that the women prophesied (preached) whether there is any record given of any special sermon she preached or not.

The gentleman challenges us to point out one woman that ever preached as recorded in the Bible. "Can you find one," says he, "in the Bible who ever preached? If so, where?" We take it that he is so sure there is not a single instance recorded where a woman preached that he ironically asks, "If so, where?" He had probably forgotten about Miriam, the prophetess, who led the women out, after Israel had so victoriously crossed the red sea and escaped the cruel hand of Pharaoh, and before all the people said, "Sing ye to the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea." And, too, "Deborah the prophetess," who apparently stood beside Barak and delivered that wonderful sermon in song, which takes one whole chapter of thirty-one verses to record it.

We would not fail to make mention of Philip's "four daughters, virgins, which did prophesy." Acts 21:9. The words "which did prophesy" certainly show that they did prophesy. Then in the light given by the definer English words we would do no violence to say that these four women "did preach." Philip, their father, is referred to as an evangelist, but it is clear

that he preached at Samaria. Acts 8:5. Peter and Paul were both apostles, but the record shows where each one preached, and gives sketches of their discourses.

There is still another reason to believe Philip's daughters were preachers. While Paul and his company tarried at their father's home there is no record of them foretelling future events. But when Agabus came down from Judaea he immediately began to tell what was going to befall Paul at Jerusalem. While this is not conclusive evidence, yet one who foretells future events is a preacher, and a preacher of the gospel of Jesus Christ foretells future events more or less.

I want to give another instance of a woman preacher, and I challenge Mr. Parker or any one else to deny it. In his message to the pastor of the church at Tnyatira "the Son of God" said, among other things, "Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and eat things sacrificed to idols." Rev. 2:20.

You will please notice that the objection was not to the woman preacher, but to the teaching she gave. Her teaching was contradictory to that decided upon at the council at Jerusalem nearly fifty years before. (Acts 15:20, 29.) The Lord was not faulting the pastor for allowing a woman to preach, but He was sharply rebuking him for allowing "that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess," to teach things contrary to sound doctrine.

The clause, "which calleth herself a prophetess," shows she was false, but this shows that the Lord had profound respect for a true prophetess, and there would have been no objection offered if a prophetess had been preaching the truth. The Lord did not say he had something against the pastor for allowing a woman to preach or teach, but "that woman Jezebel" whom He had known before somewhere for He had given her a chance to repent and she would not. The inference is

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The ten weeks for 10c proposition is still open, but we kindly urge our friends to push the yearly subscriptions, too, as the 10c proposition does not pay expenses. Remember the 10c proposition is for new subscribers only.

Remember you should get your orders for Sunday school literature for next quarter in by about the 20th of this month. See prices and instructions how to order, in another column.

Although the prospect for an extensive circulation is very flattering for the future, it is not sufficient yet to reduce the price. We have stated before that with the limited circulation we now have we are not able to compete with old established publishing houses in prices, but we have the consolation of knowing that we have pentecostal literature to place before our children.

## Bushnell, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Greeting to the saints of God everywhere—I am praising God for this wonderful plan of salvation. Glory to God! Thanking God that though the billows of sin near me roll Christ still abides.

Praise God for sending

brother W. R. Anderson here January, 1914 with the pure gospel.

I was a backslider but when brother Anderson began to hand out the Word, it cut like a two edged sword.

The loving voice of Jesus was talking to my heart. It seemed like the time had come to get saved or be lost.

I began to pray and the Lord saved me from my sins, later I got sanctified.

Sunday night, August 8, I received the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah!

Some of the saints were with us. A hot lamp globe was handled. The power fell in a wonderful way.

I praise the Lord for the Church of God, and that Jesus died for me.

The Evangel is a welcome guest at our home.

We don't get to go to church much and the little paper is food to our souls.

Pray for us that we may stay in the center of his will.

Your brother in Christ,  
Dolphus Tidwell.

## Cleveland, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Dear Saints Scattered Abroad, Greeting:

I praise the Lord for a full and free salvation that can keep us from sin. I am praising the Lord for saving, sanctifying me, and filling me with the Holy Ghost. Glory to his name. I want to praise God, too, for His healing power. Hallelujah! I was almost blind for eighteen months. I could not see to read anything, and I went to the dear Lord with all my heart and asked Him to heal me and he healed me. Glory to God! I told Him I wanted to read His Word and He healed me in so much that I can read. Praise His precious name for His power.

I praise God, too, for the good meetings we are having at "Sunnyside." Last Sunday we had a wonderful meeting. The power fell and we had a glorious time. When the altar call was made three men and one woman came for prayer. Two old men bowed their heads at their seats and wept and asked for the prayers of the saints. Praise God for His power. Glory to his name.

I want all the saints to pray for me that I may plunge deeper into the center of God's love that He can use me to His glory.

Your brother in Christ,  
F. M. Cook.

## Gastonia, N. C.

Dear Brother:

Please give me space in

# The End of the Broad Way

Broad is the road that leads to death, and many there be which go in thereat." \* \* \* "He that is a friend to the world is an enemy to God."

Submitted to the lost world by M. S. Lemons.

I saw a greedy restless throng, treading the downward way; Greed of gain was all their desire, they had no time to pray: Pride and folly was their delight, their hearts were full of sin,

The way of life they have refused, the cannot enter in.

Time had passed so rapidly, that all were much surprised, When suddenly, there came a call for the saints up to the skies;

Then the wicked were called, to their awful sad fate, And to there great surprise, they were all too late.

They all were frightened, when the devil appeared, Tho' the imps all laughed, while the demons cheered; Then arose a sad wail, by the horror-stricken throng, As the devil kept pressing them steadily along.

Soon the way opened clear, to tha once gaily band, Who had walked with demons, joined hand-in-hand; "Come on, come on!" said the devil, "you are my prey, You are too late now, this is the judgment day."

No time to stop here, you have rode your last car,

So I will land you safely, in the lake of fire;

There the rich and the poor, together are cast,

Forever to remember, the deeds of the past.

You had no love for the poor, nor the man in the cell,

I will give you your dues, an eternity of hell;

The hire of the laborers, who reaped down your fields,

Their cries are recorded, and the books are all sealed.

Nothing can rescue, from my hands, it is true,

For God hath said, "This punishment is for you,"

The gates swung open at the devil's command,

And the hot iron chains, made fast on their hands.

Such bands as were used, to wrap them around!

Tied by their foes, together were bound;

Now well you may cry, you have paid your full fair,

So you must be damned, in the "like" of despair.

The old and the young, the middle aged and the gray,

Were all bound together, forever to stay;

The black, white and red, with the rich and the poor,

All entered together, into hell's open door.

Beautiful maidens with faces so fair,

Were bound by the demons, for hell and despair;

The rich and the gay, all lost their proud look,

After having been caught, on the devil's hook.

At last they'er all gone, with the devil to hell,

Now all of God's children, will fare extra well;

Nothing but joy, for all of His band,

Forever and ever, at the Savior's right hand.

the dear little paper to sound a note of praise for what the dear Lord has done for me. He has saved and sanctified me by the precious blood of Jesus, and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Praise His dear name.

Three years ago last June. God wonderfully saved me and about four weeks later He sanctified me wholly. I was then a member of the Baptist Church, and the people thought I was saying too much to say I was sanctified wholly, so they turned me out of the Baptist church. I then joined the Wesleyan Methodist. I had not heard pentecost preached, but had heard about it. When I moved to Gastonia I heard

them preach and again I had to quit the church I was in as they would not have pentecost. I moved to Whitmire, S. C., and there the Lord wonderfully baptized me with the Holy Ghost. I would not join any church until I found the Bible church. I moved back to Shelby, N. C., where I preached the word to all that would let me and later I moved back to Gastonia. When I arrived I learned that there were two branches of pentecostal people here and I did not know what to do. So I began to pray for God to lead me right and He just led me right into the blessed Church of God. Praise His dear name. So I have been going my way rejoicing with a deep settled peace in my soul. He is my

Saviour and healer. The devil has afflicted me with indigestion recently and I ask the prayers of the saints that God will heal me of this.

Fennel E. Patterson.

## Hardy Station, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I praise God this morning for full and free salvation. I praise Him for the gracious gift of the Holy Ghost that He has given to all my children and myself. We all speak in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. Praise God for the good prayer meeting we were in last Friday night. Ten were dancing under the power speaking and singing in tongues. A cloud of glory came down in the room and eight of us ran to the fire and took up handfulls of live coals without being burned. Children and I had been fasting and praying for God to heal two of our children that were having chills. We had made a fire to warm the little boy's feet. Five of my children and myself handled the fire.

I praise God for healing my children so many times. He healed two of snake bites, the wagon ran over our little girl and she could not get up, the Lord healed her instantly. The wagon bed turned over on our little boy, the mules ran away and bruised his head and breast badly, the Lord instantly healed him. Our little girl had typhoid fever, congestion of the brain, inflammation of the bowels and the Lord healed her instantly. All this in answer to prayer and yet the halt has never been told what God has done for our home.

We take the Church of God Evangel and enjoy reading it. Glad to see the day that brings it in our home. We praise God for sending brother Haynes here for our pastor.

Lillie Tilghman.

## Port Inglis, Fla.

I want to give praise to God this morning for peace in my soul and for making me know His blessed way as I do. It is so good that I pray all the time to go deeper in His blessed sweet way. I do earnestly ask the prayers of all the dear saints to pray an earnest prayer for me and my dear family here on this lonely island. We feel sometimes like we are the only people here, though there are a number of others here that I do pray will be drawn to the Lord to trust Him for all things, and become a happy band having love for one another. I do pray that we may grow stronger in the Lord. Lillie M. Crews.



## Baptized With the Holy Ghost

W. G. Anderson.

And I knew such a man with God and men, we whether in the body or out of the body I cannot tell. God knoweth.

How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which is not lawful for a man to utter 2 Cor. 12:3-4.

The great spiritual apostle to the Gentiles was before his congregation as natural in all his powers and temptations as we men of the present day.

A natural birth brings all men into a natural life and places them in the great army of evil doers, subject to all the temptations of the devil with only natural will power to help them to overcome.

But God's great and blessed plan of salvation by means of the new birth has wonderfully and powerfully lifted His children out of the natural, and has placed them into His spiritual kingdom where we can look to Him for help to overcome all temptations.

I was a natural born democrat, and must have inherited the party from my mother as father was a whig, and whig's and democrats were the only two parties known here when I was a boy.

I got much glory out of serving my party and was boosted by those of my party seeking office.

When I was born again I lost my party spirit in a great measure yet I did hold on to my Methodist creed till I was really born into zion.—Ps. 87:5.

While a Methodist I gloried in obeying my Methodist leaders, but when the scales fell from my eyes I could see, as Paul saw, the Church of God only. Gal. 1:1.

When I was a child I spake, understood and thought as a child. 1 Cor. 13:11.

Jesus said the Father would send the Holy Ghost in His name that would teach men all things whatsoever He had said. St. John 14:26.

When Paul was sanctified by the Holy Ghost scales fell from his eyes and he saw the Church of God and preached it to all men.

He no longer gloried in his Jewish creed or obeyed his leaders in persecuting the saints of God.

Paul did not seek the advice of those chosen before him as he knew that his calling was direct from God. Gal. 1:17.

And yet, after Paul had gone for thirteen years with great zeal, courage and pow-

er with God and men, we now hear him giving a wonderful experience in being caught up to the third heaven and hearing unspeakable words which is not lawful (or possible) for a man to utter.

He says I knew a man above fourteen years ago whether in the body I cannot tell or whether out of the body I cannot tell; God knoweth; such an one caught up to the third heaven.

According to Bible dates this was about thirteen years after he was converted.

When I was sanctified by the Holy Ghost (Rom. 15:15) in the year 1898, I was at a loss to know where and when Paul was sanctified, and was never able to see or understand till I was baptized with the Holy Ghost. I knew that no man could teach the blessing of sanctification so plainly as Paul and not have the experience.

And when I got the baptism of the Holy Ghost in 1913 I was indeed very anxious to know where and when Paul was baptized with the Holy Ghost and spoke in other tongues.

This has been a great question with me, and I have become more and more anxious to know as the Holy Ghost was promised to teach all things.

But the Holy Ghost was not promised to teach us all things in a day, month or year, but the Holy Ghost will reveal things that we need to know if we'll obey Him.

Well praise God the thing has been revealed to me at last as it may have been to many others long ere this.

To know a thing that is spiritual and living it must come through and by the Holy Spirit.

When Paul was caught up to the third heaven he could understand the parable of the woman that took leaven and hid in three measures of meal till the whole was leavened.

He could also understand the parable of the treasure found in the field and the pearl of great price that took all he had to purchase.

Every one who has been baptized with the Holy Ghost and spoke in other tongues know that there was at least a short period in which there was no consciousness of what was going on and as to whether the soul was in the body or out

of the body God only could know.

Regeneration, sanctification and the baptism with the Holy Ghost are the three heavens that Paul refers to.

Paradise is a place of delight and those baptized with the Holy Ghost have been there.

Talking in tongues is not possible for man to do it is God who talks.

### Danville, Ill.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Precious Saints: Well, glory to our God.

I want to praise God for victory through trials and tests and persecutions, and in time of sickness. Five weeks in a camp meeting and five saved, two sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

Three mobs came to take us out, but God stayed their hands and they could not harm us. The devil is fighting against the Church of God.

After the meeting I was taken sick with a bad fever of some kind. The Lord stood by me through it. Husband and two sisters stayed by me in prayer till the fever was broken and I was healed.

The neighbors were afraid that husband would be arrested, but we feared not for we knew God was with us. I am up now and ready for the battle again. I had no doctors and took no medicine.

Well praise the Lord, I am going all the way with my dear Savior. I want to live what I preach. I don't want to preach divine healing and then when I get sick slip in a doctor and take medicine on the sly and then get up and say God healed me.

The battle is hard here and husband and I are standing almost alone in this northern state. If there is a brother or sister that would come and help us we would be glad for help. We would like to get a church established here.

Mrs. Cora A. Nelson, 436 N. Washington, Ave.

### Copperhill, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Greetings in Jesus' name. I am still praising God for full and free salvation. He saved me and sanctified me and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost. I have just been reading the good old Bible and praying and talking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. I just want to praise God for our family. There are thirteen in the family and we all have the Holy Ghost but three, and I want

all the saints to pray for them that they may be filled with the Holy Ghost.

Your sister in Christ,  
Hattie Fortner.

### Okeechobee, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all of the Saints of God:

I am praising God for a true and full salvation in my soul. I am enjoying a very happy time with my Lord. Praise God for the love that He had for me that He gave His own son to be crucified on the rugged cross of Calvary. I am praising God for saving my soul that was lost and best of all baptizing me with the Holy Ghost.

I did not believe in dancing under the power of God when I was a sinner and I did not want to go to the Church of God at all. At last we were boarding with a holiness family and my husband got me to go to the church. The first night I went to a prayer meeting and saw in that very meeting that it was the right way, so I began to seek for the blessings that God had for me.

God wonderfully blessed me that night and saved my soul from sin. When that great peace came into my soul I could not help but dance. I tried my best to keep from it because I did not believe in it. I was afraid people would laugh at me, but God put the power on me so strong I had to dance. Praise God. O, glory! There is a glory hallelujah in my soul. I thank God because I am one of the despised few.

I love to read the Evangel, it is such a pleasure to me.

Mrs. W. W. Rush.

### Hiwassee, Tenn.

Dear Brother:

I am still thanking God because I am saved from sin and daily walking in the light. I have put on the full armor of God. I mean to fight sin till Jesus gets ready for me to dwell with Him in glory. I want you to pray for me that I may press on and do God's will. I know I am a weak servant, but I thank God that I am what I am. I have left all for Jesus, but we remember Jesus left all and suffered death for us. I want to stay true to the trust He left us and be a humble soldier.

S. C. Yates.

### Sydney, Fla.

To all the Saints:

We are still thanking and praising God for victory in our souls. We still have a strong desire to go to the Islands. Will never feel we

have pleased God perfectly until we go. I just wanted to send a note that our friends who have contributed might know we are still expecting to go. We expect to start after this camp meeting at Wimauma. Pray for us.

Your brother and sister in God's service,  
C. C. Gillette and Wife.

### A REPORT.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson:

Greeting in Jesus' precious name. I am still praising God for the old time religion and for what the Lord is doing here at Dayton. Just closed a two weeks' meeting here, several saved and sanctified and five received the Holy Ghost, and eleven added to the church. The people here are stirred some, praying almost day and night for the Holy Ghost. Glory to God. The devil is mad, too, and is trying to tear up the church, but thank God we've got some here that are determined to go through. Pray for us.

Your brother in the battle,  
Herschel N. Scoggins.  
Dayton, Tenn.

### Arcadia, Fla.

Dear Little Evangel:

I want to write a few words of praise this morning. The Lord is precious to me, bless His sweet name. I am still saved and sanctified and really filled with the Holy Ghost. How I miss the dear saints at Parish. I want the saints to pray for the work there.

I have been in this way six years and I am still delighted with it. I have a greater determination to go and work for Jesus than ever before. Pray that my husband may be saved.

Your humble sister,  
Mary Holloway.

### Reeds Cross Roads.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

The meeting began here August 25. Brother Yates came and stayed three days and taught us a grand lesson. We are having a good meeting. Three or four saved, one sanctified and three filled with the Holy Ghost.

Brother Yates also introduced the tithe box and a number said they would pay tithes. Praise God.

Johnie Cagle will come on Sept. 10 to hold another meeting and wants the people of Crab Orchard and Rockwood to come over. Everybody welcome.

G. M. Green.

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## MOMEN PREACHING

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that if she had repented and given out the right teaching He would have had no objections to that pastor having her preaching to his people.

A little farther with this woman and the pastor of this church. Any body can see that if women had been forbidden to preach this pastor would have kept Jezebel out of his pulpit, but as it was a custom for women to preach, when Jezebel came along claiming to be a prophetess (preacher) of course there could be no objection, until she was found to be filling the people with false teaching. There is where the Lord interfered.

If there had been a popular objection to women preaching Madam Jezebel never would have been permitted to stand before that pastor's flock and teach his people.

But this rather shows that it was a common thing for women to preach just like they do among the gentleman's "holiness propaganda." Madam Jezebel could not get to preach where D. R. Parker is pastor, because he does not believe in women preaching, neither Mary, mother of Jesus, and the other Mary that preached the first resurrection sermon could not stand on his platform and tell the story of the resurrection—how she found the stone rolled away, saw the angel in white apparel, how his voice thrilled her being as he said, "He is not here, but is risen." He would not allow her to tell of her experience as she met Jesus and thought it was the gardner, and afterward knew it was Jesus. No, this writer in the Florida Baptist Witness would not allow sister "Mary" to stand on his platform and explain the Scriptures in harmony with her experience and earnestly and lovingly beg sinners to accept this Jesus that was once dead and now is alive forevermore.

In the face of all the above we will be compelled to join issue with the writer in the Florida Baptist Witness and declare that his passages of Scripture do not teach that women shall not preach. I unhesitatingly declare, without any fear of successful contradiction, that in the two passages given by Paul at 1 Cor. 14:34, and 1 Tim. 2:11, 12, is no reference whatever to women preaching.

If Paul does not mean to prohibit women preaching by writing these verses then it remains to show what he does mean and his reason for

writing these remarkable verses. If this cannot be explained then the Bible certainly contradicts itself, but we have no fears of entanglement or contradiction.

Space forbids further discussion at this time, but look out for the future.

More anon.

## Leesville, S. C.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Evangel Readers:

Greeting in Jesus' name—I wish to testify through the Evangel what God has done for me. He saved me from sinning near ten years ago. Soon after that He sanctified me.

Some few years I went out preaching and thought and taught that I had received the Holy Ghost, but when people began to preach all who received the Holy Ghost spake in tongues I believed it and tarried for the promise of the Holy Ghost. When He came in I began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Glory to God!

I stood for the Holy Ghost in this country while others took a stand against this way. I stood alone. Praise God. I have stood for divine healing about eight years for my family. We do not send for an earthly physician nor use simple remedies either. Praise our God.

I have the light on the Church of God and I'm a member, and recognized as an Evangelist.

I hope it will be the Lord's will for me to attend the Assembly this year. I trust He will supply my needs, and I want to be able to trust Him for every thing.

I am seeking the lost every where the Lord says go. I'm in for all the Bible. I mean to receive from God's store house until He says it is enough. So you may count on me for the Church of God on full Bible lines.

I am looking for Jesus to come as the Bridegroom, and to reign on the earth a thousand years.

Any one wishing my services in the Evangelistic work may write me.

Your brother in His service,

Anderson Miller.

## Helicon, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the saints:

Greetings in Jesus' precious name—I praise the Lord for salvation and for the way He is blessing me. I praise Him for taking me out of the broad way and placing me in the strait and narrow way where no unclean thing can

pass there in. Bless His dear name.

Our meeting closed last Sunday night. The Lord blessed us wonderfully. Hallelujah to God. I realize "where Jesus is 'tis heaven there." I'm so glad we have Jesus in our home. I want every one to please pray for me and the little band here that we may all stay in the center of God's will and be brave soldiers of the cross. I want to see the gifts and miracles performed in the dear old church as they were in the days of old. They will be given to the little humble ones.

There are only a few going through with Jesus to compare with the many that start. When persecutions arise there are some who had rather go back into the world than to be talked about. But if we live godly in Christ Jesus we shall be persecuted. I want to be a little light for Jesus. I mean to go through with Him by His help.

Your sister awaiting the soon coming of Jesus,  
Belle Denson.

## Copper Hill, Tenn.

Greeting in Jesus' precious name to the dear saints scattered abroad—How I do praise God for full and free salvation. I praise God because He picked me up out of sin and placed my feet on the solid rock which is Christ Jesus. O I do praise God because salvation is free for I know if it had not been free I never would have had it, but I am so glad that God is not a respecter of persons.

The Lord started me out in this way three years ago last December when all my folks were against me but one brother and a sister, but the Lord promised me if I would hold out faithful I would win them all. All praises to God, hallelujah to Jesus they are all on the rock at last but one brother and one sister and my dear old father. I want all the dear saints to pray for me that I may stand true and win many souls for Christ.

Edna Fortner.

## Gravity, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I have been a reader of the Evangel three weeks. Permit me to say that I enjoy it. I think the article entitled "The American pulpit" should be read by everybody. I have seen these things for several years while I was a Methodist, but I have only belonged to the Church of God since last January.

We have just closed a two weeks meeting near Middles-

burg. Eleven saved, one baptized with the Holy Ghost and eighteen added to the church. Pray for us.

V. S. Snawely.

## Report from Ala.

The Camp Meeting at Bethel closed Sunday night August 29th. The Lord wonderfully blest from the beginning. Indeed it was a great meeting. Between 30 and 35 saved and sanctified and 28 baptized with the Holy Ghost. Seventeen came into the Church of God. A large number to be baptized in water the 1st Sunday in September. The saints from Helicon came over and brought the brass band and we had music and dancing and talking in tongues. Well it was grand. The crowd was estimated at two thousand and Saturday night.

W. S. Gentry.

## REPORT.

Dear Brother:

The battle is on over here. Just finished up a meeting at Darbun, Miss. Several saved and sanctified. Two followed Jesus into the water. One a sister that walked with crutches; she came out of the water praising God.

The harvest sure is ripe over here, and God is at work. Bless His dear name. I feel so good in my soul this morning until I feel like shouting right now.

W. E. Evans.

Morgantown, Miss.

## REPORT.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

The Lord has given us a wonderful meeting at Stonyfork Junction, Tenn. Eleven saved, six received the Holy Ghost, seven baptized with water and about twenty came into the church. The meeting at Bryson mountain continued one week and two days. The Baptist preacher got mad and threatened to shoot us but we just praised God anyhow. They locked us out last night, but we had services in the big road and the Lord wonderfully blessed.

Yours under the blood,

D. B. Vess,

Knoxville, Tenn.

## Copperhill, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the saints:

I am glad I have salvation, and I praise God this day for it. I am so glad the Lord forgave my sins and gave me the Holy Ghost and I spoke in other tongues. Praise God. Pray for me.

Yoursister under the blood,  
Jassie Fortner.

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